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MAIL STOP PATENT APPLICATION

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> RE: U.S. Patent Application Entitled: METHOD OF FORMING A METAL LAYER OVER A PATTERNED DIELECTRIC BY ELECTROLESS DEPOSITION USING A CATALYST - Markus Nopper and Axel Preusse (2000.106500/DE0260)

Sir:

Transmitted herewith for filing are:

- (1) 29-page patent specification with 28 claims and an abstract (also Figures 1a-3 on 2 sheets);
- (2) Declaration;
- (3) Power of Attorney;
- (4) Assignment and Assignment Cover Sheet; and
- (5) Submission of Priority Document. Applicants hereby claim, through their attorney of record, priority benefits under Title 35, United States Code § 119 and/or § 365 of German Patent Application No. 103 02 644.4, filed January 23, 2003.

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FILING FEE CALCULATION

FOR		Small Entity	Large Entity
Total Claims	29 - 20 = 9	x \$9 = \$	or $x $18 = 162.00
Independent Claims	4 - 3 = 1	x \$42 = \$	or $x $84 = 84.00
Multiple Dependent Claim(s)		+ \$140 = \$	or + \$280 = \$280.00
Basic Fee:		+ \$375 = \$	or + \$750 = \$750.00
Assignment Recording Fee:	(\$40 per assignee)	+ = \$	+ = \$ 40.00
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